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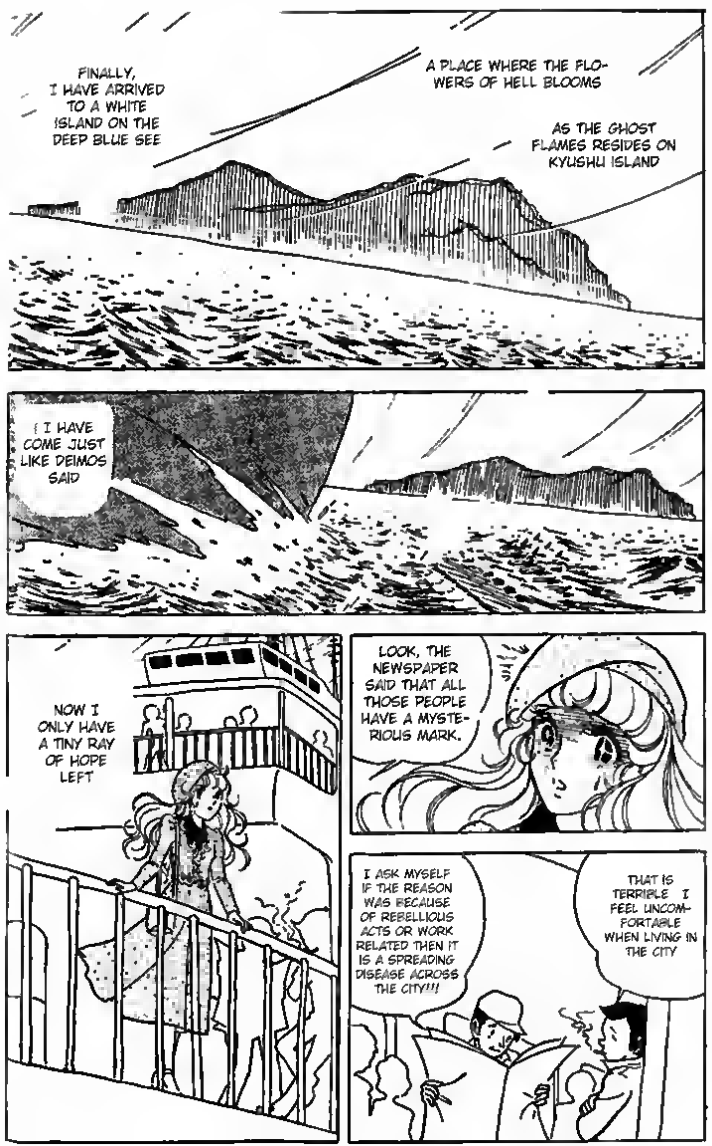
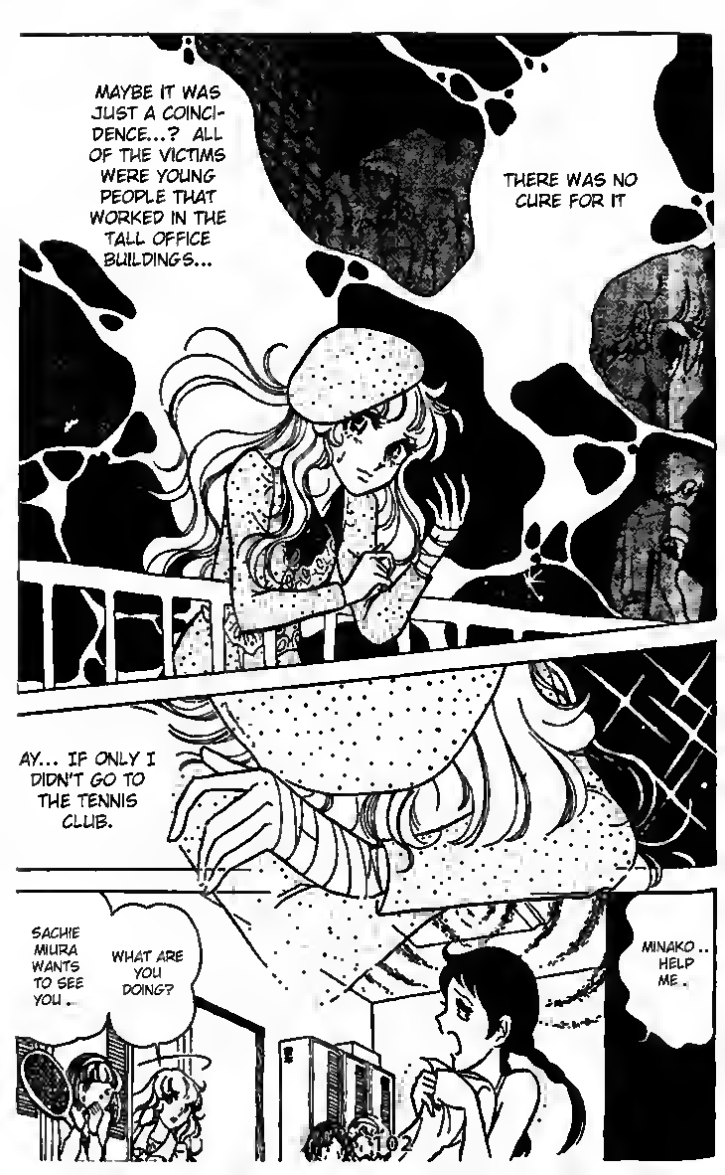

FINALLY, I HAVE ARRIVED TO A WHITE ISLAND ON THE DEEP BLUE SEE
A PLACE WHERE THE FLOWERS OF HELL BLOOMS
AS THE GHOST FLAMES RESIDES ON KYUSHU ISLAND
(I HAVE COME JUST LIKE DEIMOS SAID
NOW I ONLY HAVE A TINY RAY OF HOPE LEFT
LOOK, THE NEWSPAPER SAID THAT ALL THOSE PEOPLE HAVE A MYSTERIOUS MARK.
I ASK MYSELF IF THE REASON WAS BECAUSE OF REBELLIOUS ACTS OR WORK RELATED THEN IT IS A SPREADING DISEASE ACROSS THE CITY!!!
THAT IS TERRIBLE I FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE WHEN LIVING IN THE CITY


MAYBE IT WAS JUST A COINCIDENCE...? ALL OF THE VICTIMS WERE YOUNG PEOPLE THAT WORKED IN THE TALL OFFICE BUILDINGS...
THERE WAS NO CURE FOR IT
AY... IF ONLY I DIDN'T GO TO THE TENNIS CLUB.
SACHIE MIURA WANTS TO SEE YOU.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
MINAKO.. HELP ME.

YOUR HAIR IS JUST STUCK ONTO A NEWLY CEMENTED WALL. YOU JUST NEED TO GIVE IT A LITTLE TUG.
I CAN'T I'M SO SCARED
SACHIE IS THE 8TH VICTIM SINCE THEY STARTED FIXING THE WALL FROM 2 DAYS AGO
MY HAIR WAS PULLED BY A DEMON!
DON'T BE SILLY LET ME PULL IT OUT FOR YOU
DONE I PULLED IT OUT
PHEW... THANKS MINAKO YOU SAVED ME
WHAT'S THE MATTER, MINAKO?
I HAPPENED TO TOUCH THE WALL..
AND NOW I HAVE A MARK ON MY HAND!

Du-zou-
DEIMOS! WHERE ARE YOU?
WHY DID YOU DO THAT?
DON'T BLAME EVERYTHING ON ME
BUT YOU ALWAYS .
I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU, BUT IT WASN'T ME THIS TIME
PERMA-NENT...? SERIOUSLY?
WHY WOULD I WANT MY BRIDE TO HAVE A PERMANENT MARK ON HER?

EVEN IF I GO SEE A DOCTOR?
OR... EVEN IF I DO A SKIN GRAFT...?
IT'S USELESS, LITTLE GIRL. YOU'RE NOT JUST THE ONLY ONE THAT HAS THAT MARK
DO SOMETHING, DEIMOS!! CAN'T YOU USE YOUR POWER?
THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY, THAT IS IF YOU BEGGED ME FOR YOU TO BE MY BRIDE
THE DOCTORS HAVE TRIED THEIR BEST IN FIGURING OUT A WAY TO REMOVE IT... BUT ALL THOSE METHODS WERE USELESS
NEVER! WHO WANTS TO BE YOUR BRIDE?!
HA HA DON'T GET MAD.
I ONLY SAID THAT BECAUSE YOU ASKED...
SHOCKED
MY POWER CANNOT CURE IT

WHAT? WHY NOT?
EVEN YOU TOO YOU REALLY CAN'T DO ANYTHING?
OF COURSE, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH MY SHADOW OF DARKNESS POWERS
THEN WHAT'S THE REASON?
PLACE YOUR CONSCIOUSNESS INTO THE CEMENT...
THIS FLOWER IS A FAREWELL PRESENT FOR YOU.
DEIMOS, WHERE DID YOU GET THIS? IT LOOKS JUST LIKE THE MARK ON MY HAND..!
I'VE NEVER SEEN A FLOWER AS RED AS THIS... IT MAKES ME SHIVER.
THAT IS THE FLOWER OF DEMONS

THIS TYPE OF FLOWER BLOOMS IN A WORLD OF DEMONS... IT DOESN'T EXISTS HERE...
EXCEPT FOR ONE PLACE...
IT BLOOMS EVERY 20 YEARS
WHERE IS THAT PLACE?
THE BRIGHT GHOSTLY ISLAND OF KYUSYU
THE BRIGHT GHOSTLY ISLAND...
WHAT'S WRONG, MISS? ARE YOU SEASICK?
OH.. I'M NOT

THE CLIFF OF THE BRIGHT CREEPY ISLAND SURE IS BRIGHT. WHY IS IT SO BRIGHT?
THAT'S BECAUSE THE WHOLE ISLAND IS SURROUNDED BY LIMESTONES
BECAUSE LIMESTONE IS THE RAW ELEMENT OF CEMENT. THERE IS A BUILDING BUILT FROM CEMENT OVER THERE
CEMENT!?
PLACE YOUR CONSCIOUSNESS INTO THE CEMENT...
CEMENT
BEFORE, EVEN BIRDS COULDN'T FLY OVER IT. EVERYONE WAS SUFFERING FROM HARDSHIP
BUT ALL THANKS TO MR. HIROSE. HE FIGURED OUT THE USE OF LIMESTONE AND BUILT A CEMENT FACTORY
NOW ALL THE RESIDENTS HAVE JOBS AND IMPROVED THEIR FINANCIAL EARNINGS. LIFE IS MUCH BETTER NOW

AND IT IS ALL THANKS TO MR HIROSE
IS THERE A DEMON FLOWER THAT ONLY BLOOMS ONCE EVERY 20 YEARS?
YOU MEAN, IS THERE HELL?
EVERY TIME IT BLOOMS THERE IS ALWAYS AN UNLUCKY EVENT HAPPENING
ABOUT 3 DAYS AGO, THE FLOWER HAD BLOOMED AND THIS UNCLE'S SON HAD DISAPPEARED.
BUT ANOTHER WEIRD THING BESIDES THAT IS, THE DEMON FLOWER BEGAN TO BLOOM ALL YEAR ROUND. I HAVE NEVER SEEN STRANGE EVENTS LIKE THAT.
ALL YEAR ROUND?
AFTER THAT, IT SEEMS LIKE MR [illegible] CHANGED... COMPLETELY INTO A TOTALLY DIFFERENT PERSON
CORRECT. IT BLOOMS ALL AROUND A YOUNG MAN'S LABORATORY

THAT MAN WAS RIGHT. THERE ARE SO MANY DEMON FLOWERS HERE
THIS MUST BE...
LABORATORY.

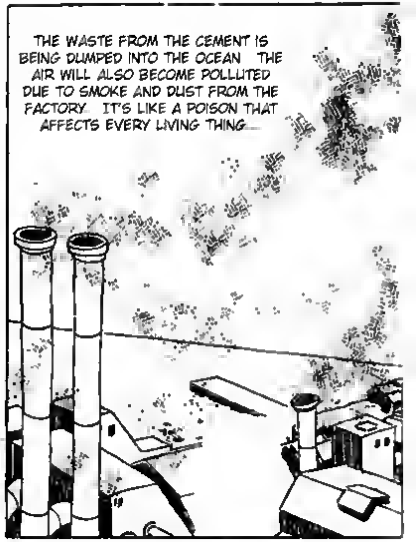
WHY... WHY ARE THESE BONES DEFORMED LIKE THIS?
WHAT IS THE CONNECTION BETWEEN HIM AND THE DEMON FLOWERS?
WHAT WAS MR. NOBUO RESEARCHING?

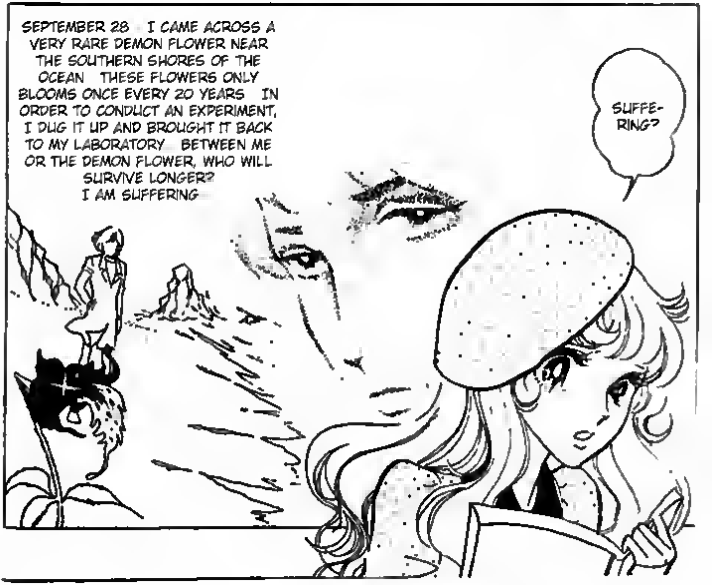
I WONDER IF I CAN FIND ANY INFORMATION ABOUT IT?
IDIOT WHY DIDN'T YOU STOP HER? DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO ENTER THAT LABORATORY?
WHY WOULD YOU LET A STRANGE GIRL INTO MY SON'S LABORATORY?
WHAT?
DAMN IT I DEFINITELY HAVE TO KICK HER OUT!

HEY BOSS!
THE SPECIAL SOLUTION FOR THE CEMENT IS COMPLETELY OUT
I'M IN A HURRY. I'LL DEAL WITH IT TOMORROW!!
TOMORROW WILL BE TOO LATE!
WHO CARES!
HE'S ACTING LIKE THE WORLD IS ABOUT TO END.
WHO KNOWS? I BET HE'S GOING TO FORGET ALL ABOUT IT AND GET ALL WORKED UP TOMORROW
AT LEAST HE COULD'VE TOLD US THE CHEMICAL FORMULA FOR THE SPECIAL SOLUTION
THAT'S HOW HE IS. HE NEVER TELLS US ANYTHING.
HE'S PROBABLY AFRAID THAT SOMEONE MIGHT STEAL THE INFORMATION OR SOMETHING. ALSO WE PROBABLY WON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEMS LIKE WE DID WITH THE OLD BATCH.
FOUND IT!
THE BUSINESS IS PROSPERING, AND HE COULDN'T BE ANY HAPPIER... SO THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN DO, LET'S JUST GO HOME

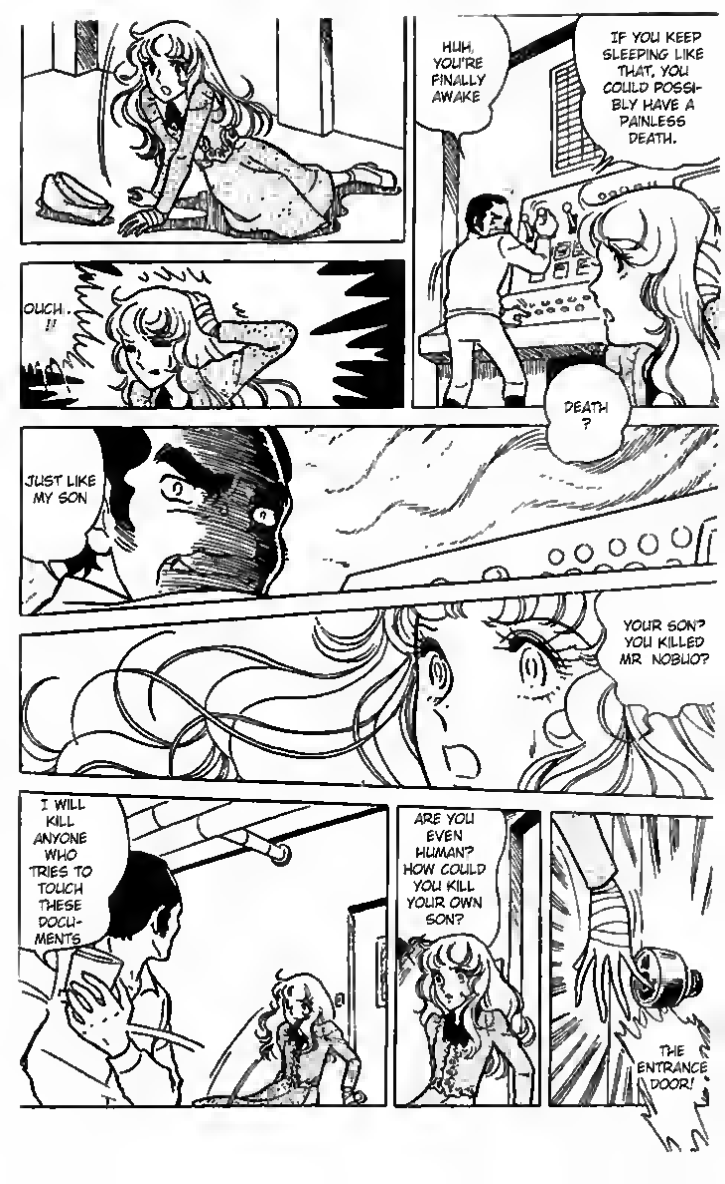
WHY WOULD HE HIDE IT HERE?
WHAT ARE THESE CHEMICALS?
AH-HAH IF I CONTINUE READING IT,
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND IT A LITTLE BETTER
[JUNE 13 - THE TEST SUBJECTS THAT ARE TREATED WITH THE SPECIAL SOLUTION HAS ALL DIED WITH THE SAME SYMPTOMS. THEIR BONES HAVE BEEN DEFORMED AND THEIR INTESTINES HAVE BEEN SWELLED UP
BUT FATHER SAID THAT IT DOESN'T AFFECT THE HUMAN BODY. BUT IF I DON'T INVESTIGATE IT, THEN I WOULDN'T KNOW IF IT'S TRUE OR NOT

OCTOBER 13 - I CANNOT PREPARE THE SPECIAL SOLUTION!! THIS SOLUTION HAS A TERRIFYING SIDE EFFECT ONCE IT IS PRODUCED INTO A SPECIAL CEMENT. THE WASTE WILL CONTAMINATE THE OCEAN!


THE WASTE FROM THE CEMENT IS BEING DUMPED INTO THE OCEAN. THE AIR WILL ALSO BECOME POLLUTED DUE TO SMOKE AND DUST FROM THE FACTORY. IT'S LIKE A POISON THAT AFFECTS EVERY LIVING THING...


SEPTEMBER 28. I CAME ACROSS A VERY RARE DEMON FLOWER NEAR THE SOUTHERN SHORES OF THE OCEAN. THESE FLOWERS ONLY BLOOMS ONCE EVERY 20 YEARS. IN ORDER TO CONDUCT AN EXPERIMENT, I DUG IT UP AND BROUGHT IT BACK TO MY LABORATORY. BETWEEN ME OR THE DEMON FLOWER, WHO WILL SURVIVE LONGER?
I AM SUFFERING
SUFFERING?

WAS MR NOBUO ILL?
BUT IT STILL SEEMS STRANGE
I HEARD RUMORS THAT HE HAD PASSED AWAY BUT NO ONE SAID ANYTHING ABOUT HIM BEING ILL
WHACK
FALL
SHE CAME TO STEAL MY RESEAR-CHES
IT BELONGS TO ME.I WILL NOT HAND THEM OVER TO ANYONE
TAKE
SHAAA
MY HEAD HURTS
I THINK SOMEONE HAD JUST HIT ME FROM BEHIND.

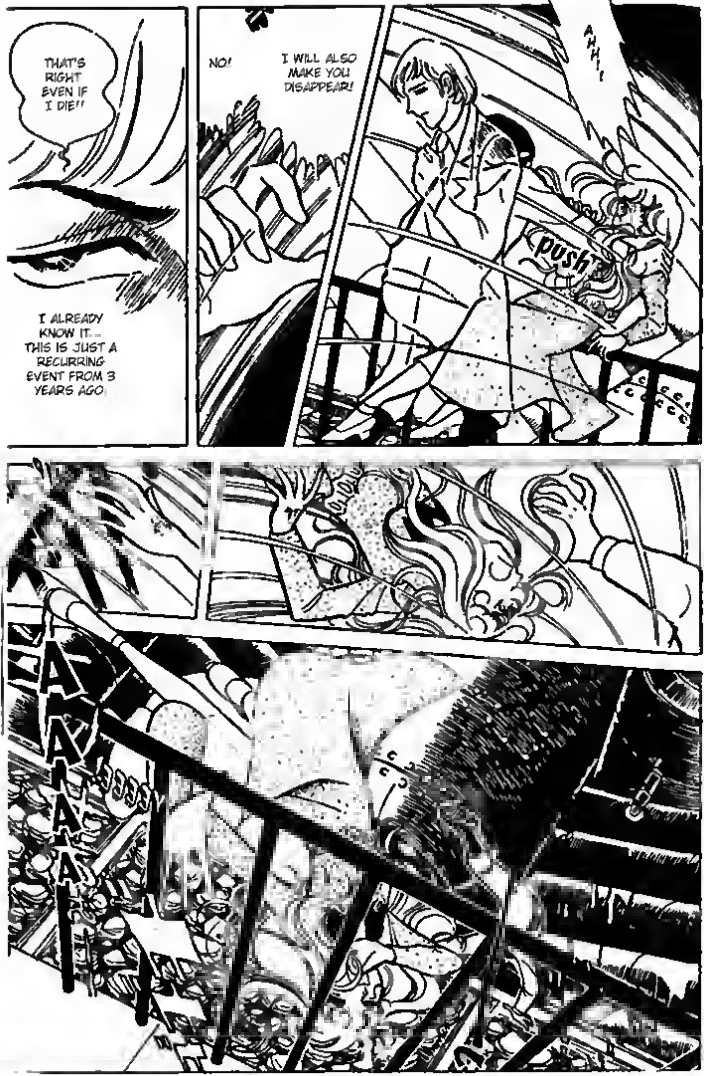

HUH, YOU'RE FINALLY AWAKE
IF YOU KEEP SLEEPING LIKE THAT, YOU COULD POSSIBLY HAVE A PAINLESS DEATH.
OUCH..!!
DEATH ?
JUST LIKE MY SON
YOUR SON? YOU KILLED MR NOBUO?
I WILL KILL ANYONE WHO TRIES TO TOUCH THESE DOCUMENTS
ARE YOU EVEN HUMAN? HOW COULD YOU KILL YOUR OWN SON?
THE ENTRANCE DOOR!

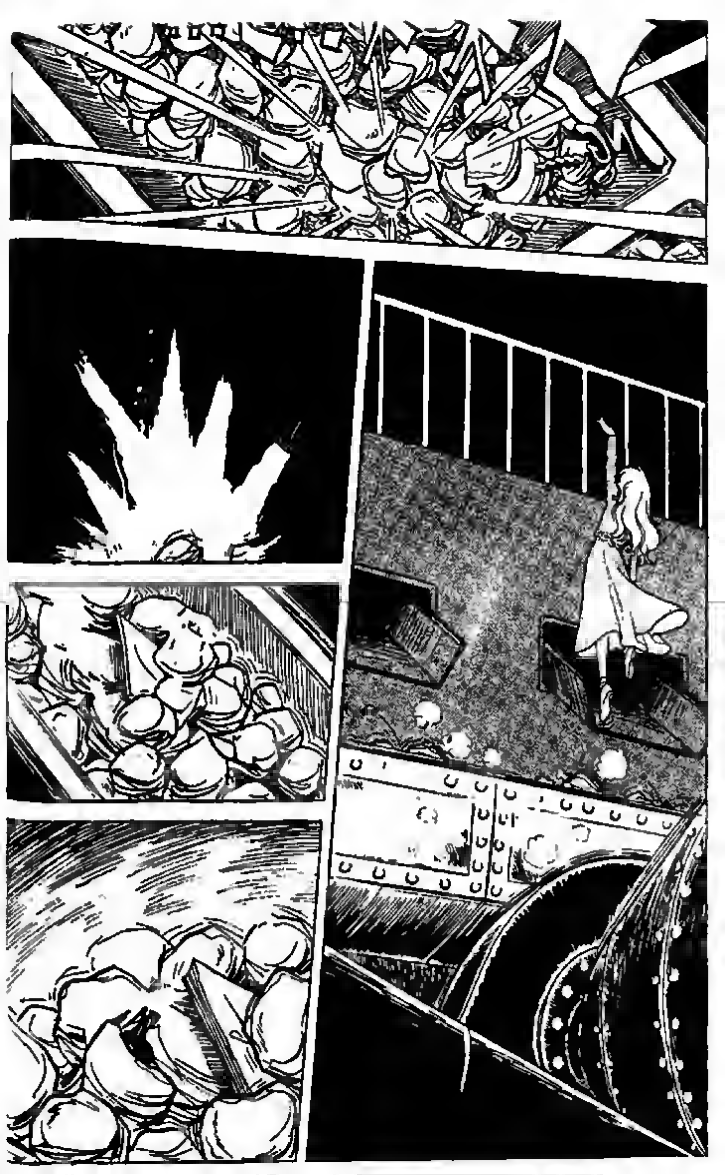
IT'S USE-LESS TO TRY, IT'S LOCKED!!
HELP! SOMEONE PLEASE SAVE ME!
KEEP YELLING TILL YOU LOSE YOUR VOICE. NO ONE IS AT THE FACTORY NOW.
RUN!
DIE!!!

TAKE A LOOK DOWN! THOSE MACHINE CRUSHERS ARE WAITING FOR YOU.
THEY ARE TELLING YOU TO HURRY UP AND GO DOWN THERE.
THE CEMENT MIXES ALONG WITH DEAD BODIES ARE BEING USED EVERYWHERE
BUILDINGS, SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, HOMES
MR. NOBUO'S BODY...
grab
DON'T TOUCH ME YOU KILLED MR. NOBUO LIKE THIS, DIDN'T YOU?!
argh

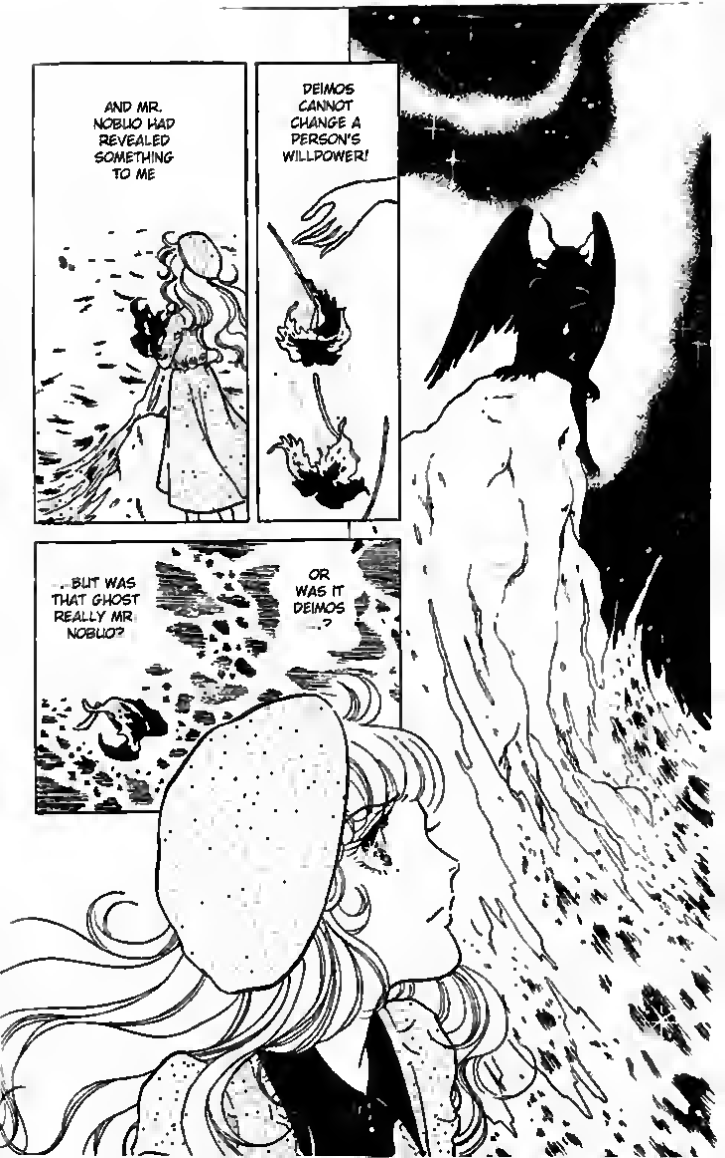
FLOWER...!! WHY DO YOU HAVE THIS MARK?!
I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS THIS MARK. THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ALSO GOT IT WHEN THEY TOUCHED BUILDINGS MADE WITH YOUR CEMENT.
EVERYONE ARE AWARE OT IT SO IT'S USELESS EVEN IF YOU TRY TO KILL ME!
SHE IS RIGHT FATHER.
IS THERE SOMEONE HERE? WHO IS IT?

NOBUO!!!
FATHER, I HAD TESTED THE SOLUTION ON MY BODY
YOU CANNOT USE IT FATHER! YOU MUST STOP MANUFACTURING THE SPECIAL CEMENT. IT'S VERY POISONOUS
LOOKS LIKE MY GUESS WAS RIGHT, BUT.....?
...?
SHUT UP! ARE YOU ENTICING ME? I WILL NOT STOP MANUFACTURING IT!
I WILL MAKE YOU INSTANTLY STOP! EVERYONE WILL KNOW AFTER THEY SEE MY HEALTH CONDITION AND THE OTHER SECRET DOCUMENTS
I FORBID YOU! I'VE WORKED SO HARD TO BUILD THIS FACTORY! YOU CANNOT DO THIS!!!
I DON'T CARE. AFTER ALL I CAN'T LIVE MUCH LONGER.
BUT KEEP IN MIND, EVEN IF I DIE I WILL CONTINUE TO TELL EVERYONE THE TRUTH!!
I WILL STOP YOU, EVEN IF I HAVE TO KILL YOU!


THAT'S RIGHT EVEN IF I DIE!!
I ALREADY KNOW IT... THIS IS JUST A RECURRING EVENT FROM 3 YEARS AGO.
NO!
I WILL ALSO MAKE YOU DISAPPEAR!
AH!
push
AAAAA



A HAND HELD OUT TO GRAB ME...
MR NOBUO?
SMILE
AND NOW, NOT A SINGLE PERSON CAN CREATE THE SPECIAL CEMENT ANYMORE
PRESIDENT HIROSE PASSED AWAY
THE MARK HAS ALSO DISAPPEARED


AND MR. NOBUO HAD REVEALED SOMETHING TO ME
DEIMOS CANNOT CHANGE A PERSON'S WILLPOWER!
...BUT WAS THAT GHOST REALLY MR. NOBUO?
OR WAS IT DEIMOS ...?